

# State decertifies group home in Decatur, some residents being moved

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K&D Group Homes' location on Dianne Street in Decatur was decertified on April 14. Here, residents stand outside the home. (Photo: David Schmidt/WHNT News 19)

DECATUR, Ala. – The Alabama Department of Mental Health has decertified a group home in Decatur, and some residents are being moved today.

The residence, operated by K&D Group Homes, is located at 1702 Dianne Street SW.

Terry Mitchell, Public Information Officer for the Alabama Department of Mental Health, said the company's home was issued decertification papers because the company failed to meet state standards.

"When that happens, we have a plan of action in place to protect the patients who were affected by what happened today."

Mitchell said there were no problems with the patients. This is a license issue.

The state is relocating some patients. This is a further statement from the state.

*"The Alabama Department of Mental Health provides access to services that meet the health needs of individuals of all ages, enabling them to live, work and participate in their communities. With oversight from CMS and other federal agencies, the department ensures that effective and culturally competent care is achieved. This important mission is accomplished by working in partnership with other state agencies, individuals, families, providers and communities."*

*Occasionally a provider is found to have consistently failed to meet the strict standards of care as established by the Alabama Department of Mental Health, once the provider has chosen not to comply with these standards their certification authority is revoked."*

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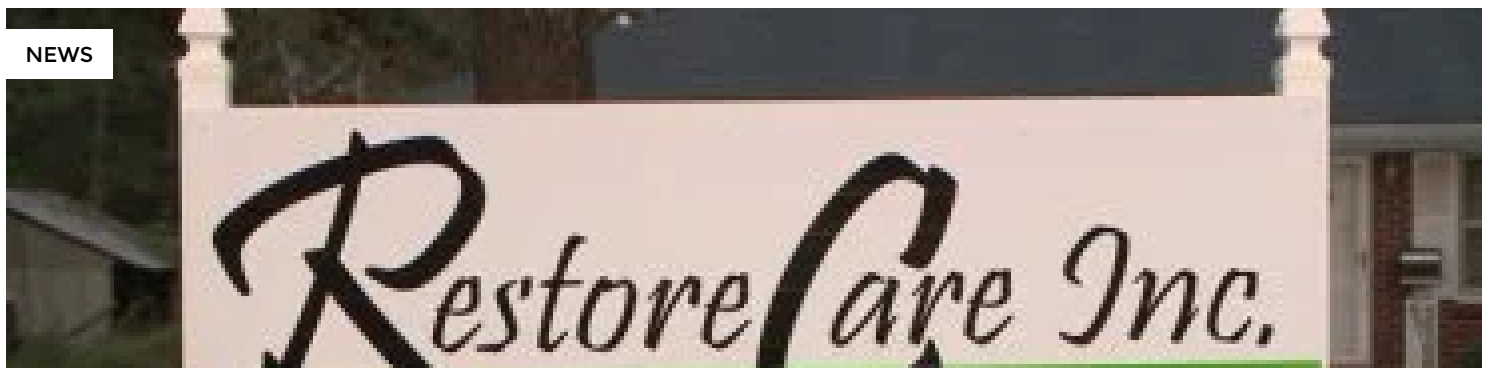


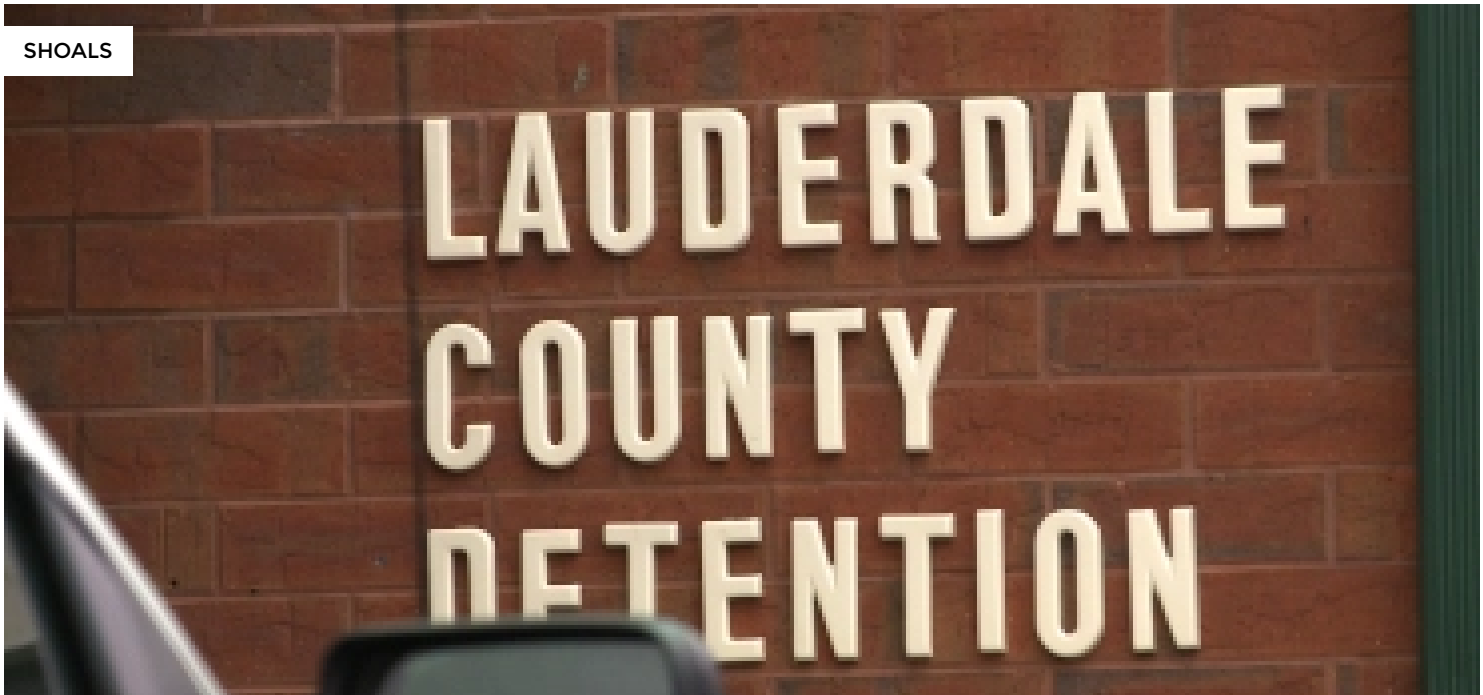
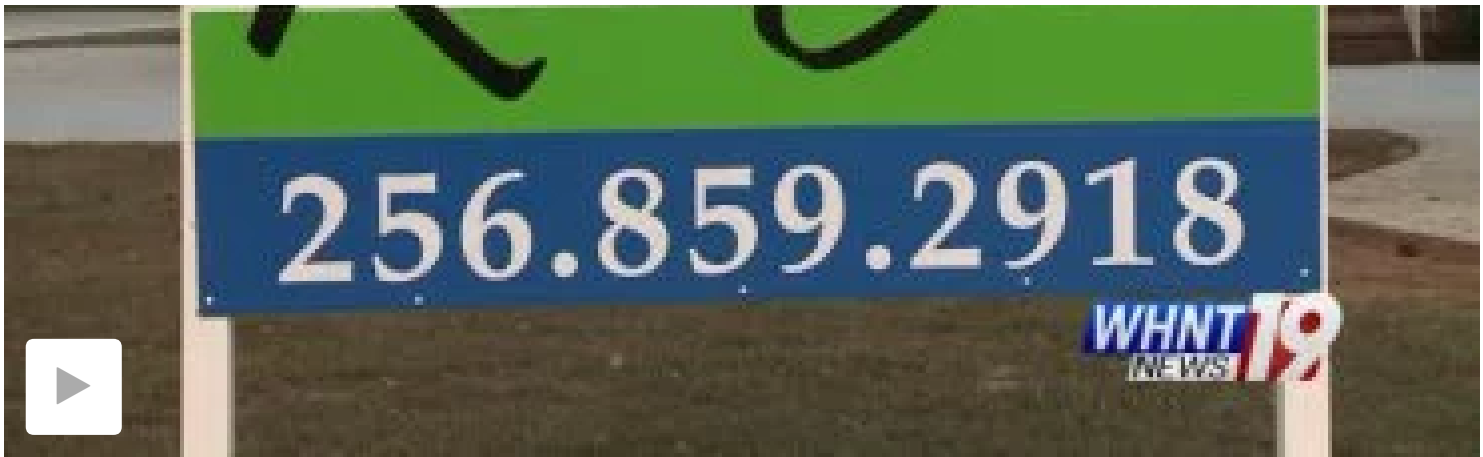
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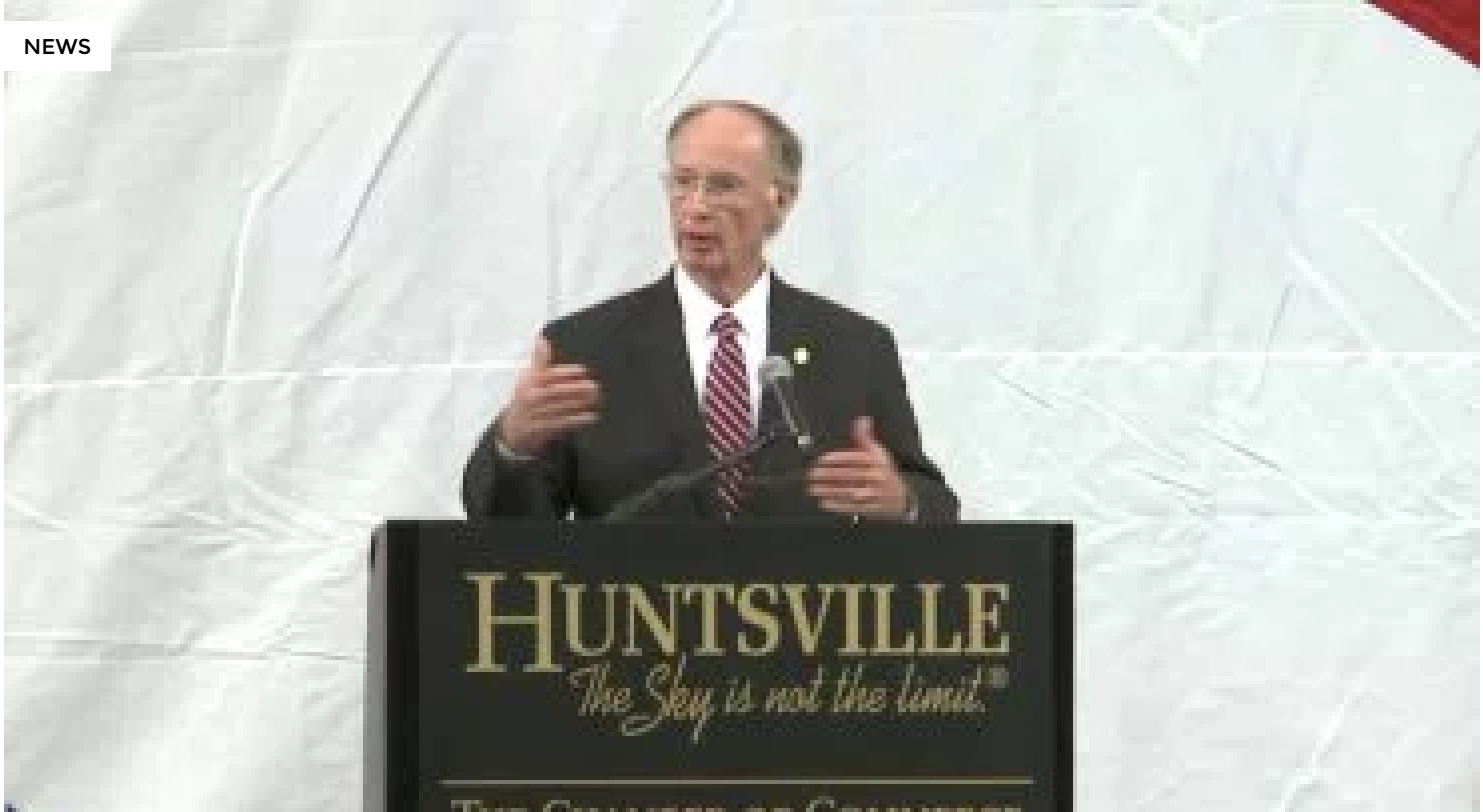
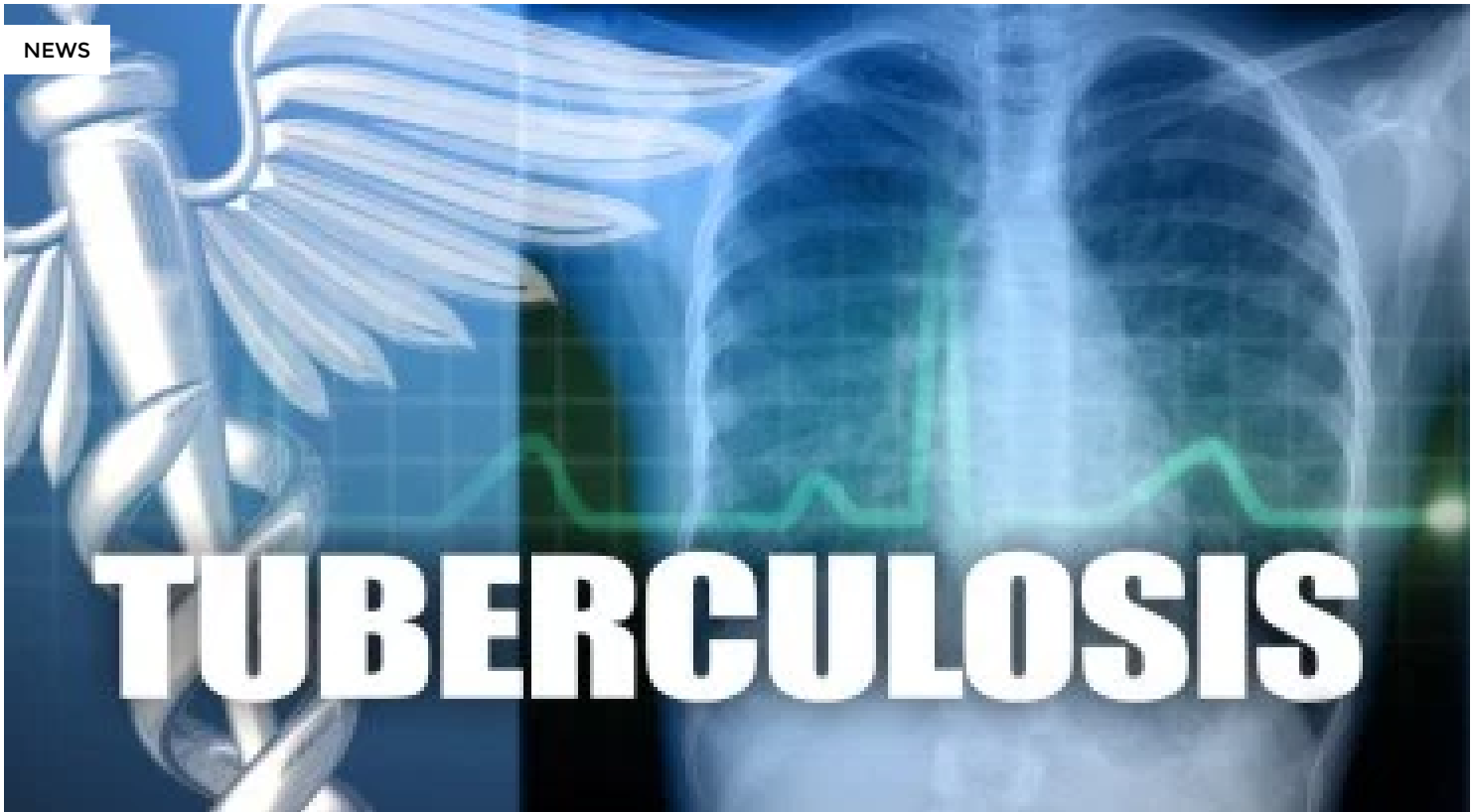
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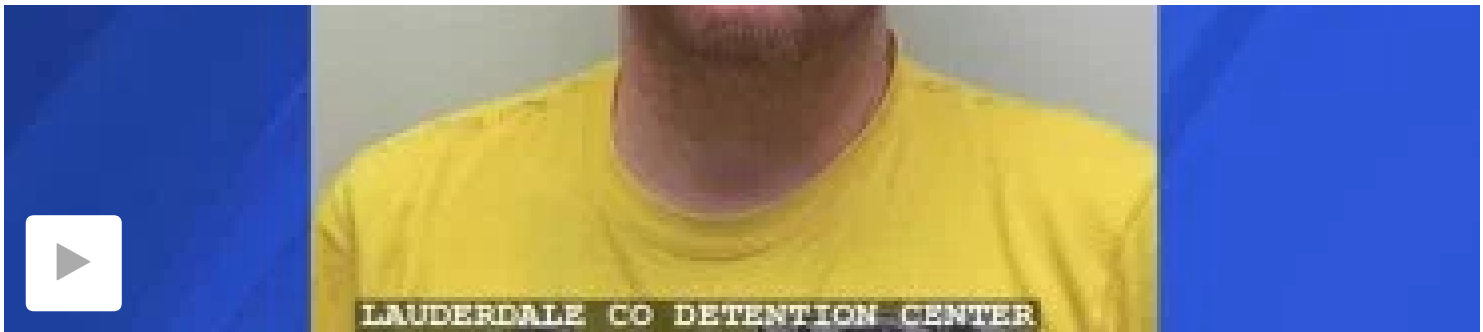
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